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#### [1](#)1. Quarterly/Annual Update

(U) The Cairo Regional Security Office is making good progress in creating a viable Country Council. We have had monthly meetings for the past four months, characterized by an active and candid exchange of new ideas and company initiatives. The Country Council is a dynamic council with 13 core organizations and an average of 19 participants.

(U) Recently, DRSO George Tietjen attended a OSAC/ISMA/SISBO Regional Security Conference in Dubai from the 20th to the 22nd of March, during which he participated on a regional RSO panel addressing the economic impact of security on the private sector.

#### [1](#)2. Key Events and Significant Activities

(U) The RSO office has taken full advantage of the website upgrades and plans to introduce this valuable tool during the next country council meeting scheduled for the 14th of April, [1](#)2005. DRSO Tietjen will also brief the Country Council on the Dubai Regional Security Conference as well as the latest developments in the recent Cairo bomb attack.

#### [1](#)3. Issues and Concerns

(U) Many council members are concerned about the recent bombing in a popular Cairo marketplace. This event and its ramifications for the private sector business, will no doubt be a central topic of next Thursday's meeting.

#### [1](#)4. Outlook

(U) Country Council meeting scheduled for April 14th, 2005.

(U) The Cairo Country Council is looking forward to hosting the regional conference Egypt next year.

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